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In re patent application of: §
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Application No.: 10/677,698 § Group No. 2835
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Filed: October 2, 2003 § Examiner: Michael Rutland Wallis
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For: Modular DC-DC Standby Voltage §
Converter Having Programmable §
Sequencing §

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) (37 C.F.R. 1.114)

Applicants hereby request continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above-identified application.

This request is being submitted before (i) the abandonment of this application; (ii) payment of the issue fee; (iii) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit; or (iv) the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or 35 U.S.C. § 146.

Included herewith is an information disclosure statement (including Form PTO-1449).

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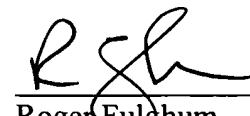
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The fee for a continued prosecution application is \$790.00. Included herewith is a check in the amount of \$790.00. Please charge deposit account no. 02-0383 (attorney docket no. 016295.1398) for the payment of any additional fees necessary for the filing of this Request for Continued Examination.

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